

Remarks

The Ex Parte Quayle Office Action dated March 8, 2005, has been carefully reviewed and the foregoing amendment is submitted in consequence thereof.

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application, of which claims 8 and 13 have been amended. It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims define allowable subject matter, and that the foregoing amendment places the application in condition for allowance.

The objection to the drawings under 37 CFR 1.121(d) is respectfully traversed. Submitted herewith is a replacement drawing sheet incorporating changes to Figure 4 adopting the Examiner's suggestions as indicated above. No new matter has been added. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the objection to the drawings be withdrawn.

The objection to the disclosure due to informalities is respectfully traversed.

The title of the application has been changed replacing "CPA" with "CONNECTOR POSITION ASSURANCE" as requested by the Examiner.

Paragraphs 13 and 23 have been amended for consistency with the drawings, correcting the section line reference to "5-5" as suggested by the Examiner.

Paragraphs 16 and 17 have been amended to correct clerical errors. Specifically, at line 8 in paragraph 16, "a fulcrum points" is corrected to "fulcrum points", and in the last sentence in paragraph 17, "from the cover" is replaced with "on the cover".

The amendments to the disclosure add no new matter. Accordingly, for the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request that the objection to the disclosure be withdrawn.

The objection to claims 8 and 13 for informalities is respectfully traversed.

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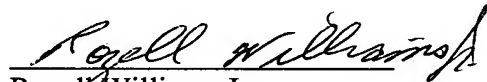
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Claims 8 and 13 have been amended to correct clerical errors. Specifically, claims 8 and 13 have been amended to recite "a CPA stop positioned in said channel to engage a stop member on said CPA".

Accordingly, for the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully request that the objection to claims 8 and 13 be withdrawn.

Applicants now believe that all outstanding grounds of objection have been overcome, and that the application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,



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IN THE DRAWINGS:

The attached replacement sheet three of the drawings replaces original sheet three and includes changes to Figure 4. In Figure 4 the section line arrows 5-5 have been corrected to point in the direction consistent with the cross section shown in Figure 5.

These corrections add no new matter.

Attachments: One Replacement Sheet, One redline markup.